ARKANSAS WEATHER AND CROP PROGRESS



* Planting Corn/Cotton/Rice/Sorghum/Soybeans/Cutting Hay

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RELEASED: May 20, 2002 3:00 p.m.- Several very warm days allowed field preparations and planting activities to continue in several areas of the state according to the Arkansas Agricultural Statistics Service. 3.8 days suitable for fieldwork. Soil moisture supplies were 2 percent short, 55 percent adequate and 43 percent surplus.

CROPS: Corn, cotton, rice, sorghum, and soybeans planting continued. Rice fields were being fertilized and flooded. Cotton, soybeans and corn were being prepared for irrigation. Armyworms were being sprayed in several wheat fields. Other farm activities included land preparation for spring planting of forage, harvesting hay, preparing harvest equipment for wheat, fertilizing, liming and applying weed control in pastures.

LIVESTOCK: Cattle producers were vaccinating cattle. Cattle were in good condition with calves being weaned. Most pastures are in good condition. Many pastures are still being fertilized and other weed control measures being applied. Hay cuttings continue where fields are dry.

Crop Progress and Conditions

Progress %					Condition %				
CROP Stage	Current Week	Previous Week	Previous Year	5 Year Average	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent
SORGHUM					3	8	35	50	4
Planted	94	90	92	87					
Emerged	87	80	85	74					
CORN					0	8	32	52	8
Planted	100	99	100	99					
Emerged	98	94	100	75					
COTTON									
Planted	76	63	93	84					
Emerged	57	50	71	53					
RICE					4	13	33	42	8
Planted	92	89	98	91					
Emerged	83	74	89	72					
SOYBEANS									
Planted	32	27	55	36					
Emerged	25	18	39	21					
WHEAT					3	16	39	37	6
Headed	100	99	100	99					
ОТН. НАҮ					1	9	17	59	14
PASTURE					0	2	14	60	24

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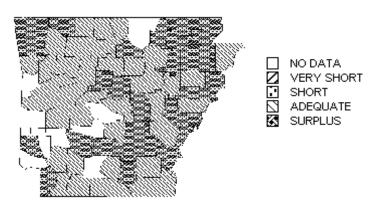
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SOIL MOISTURE SUPPLIES

WEATHER FOR THE WEEK ENDING:

May 19, 2002. Temperatures were below normal, with record lows in some locales for the week, heavy rainfall in some areas. Several reporting stations recorded the high temperature of 89° and Harrison recorded the low temperature of 37° . Precipitation ranged from a high of 2.99 inches at Calico Rock and a low of 0.56 inch at El Dorado.



TEMPERATURES AND PRECIPITATION WEEK ENDING: May 19, 2002

	TEMPERATURES				DAINEALI						
	1E	MPEKA	ATURES	RAINFALL							
DISTRICT			DEPARTURE	WEEK	CURRENT		JANUA	RY-APRIL			
AND	HIGH	LOW	FROM	ENDING	MAY	MAY					
STATION			NORMAL	MAY 19	ACCUM.	NORMAL	2002	NORMAL			
1 Fayetteville	73	38	-8	2.66	3.62	5.06	17.69	13.05			
Harrison	74	37	-8	2.13	3.91	5.01	19.67	13.60			
2 Calico Rock	78	40	-5	2.99	4.50	4.83	23.54	14.79			
Greers Ferry	81	42	-6	2.17	3.06	5.00	19.74	16.96			
Mountain Home	74	40	-6	2.78	4.11	4.85	22.97	14.35			
3 Batesville	79	42	-6	1.82	3.39	4.88	17.85	15.86			
Jonesboro	81	40	-7	0.93	2.82	4.92	16.49	16.29			
Keiser	83	43	-6	2.06	4.50	5.57	17.46	17.24			
Newport	84	55	-7	2.74	3.97	4.74	16.44	16.64			
4 Booneville	80	42	-6	2.20	3.35	5.73	24.14	14.70			
Clarksville	78	45	-4	1.24	2.25	5.21	25.08	14.68			
Dardanelle	82	42	-5	1.41	1.50	5.67	20.36	15.18			
Ft. Smith	78	46	-7	1.35	2.17	5.29	25.37	12.81			
Mena	76	41	-7	2.43	3.09	6.65	22.84	17.33			
Ozark	77	42	-8	0.75	1.39	5.13	28.19	13.66			
5 Conway	82	44	-7	1.74	2.87	4.62	21.28	16.20			
Hot Springs	84	41	-7	2.24	4.36	6.41	19.35	18.25			
Little Rock	83	45	-6	1.98	3.82	5.05	17.53	17.29			
N Little Rock	86	48	-4	1.48	3.31	5.40	17.60	16.55			
6 Brinkley	82	47	-6	0.99	2.96	5.70	17.68	17.64			
Marianna	83	45	-7	1.04	4.22	5.34	17.42	18.92			
Stuttgart	85	46	-6	0.91	7.00	5.12	18.23	18.23			
7 Hope	83	43	-7	1.21	3.55	4.90	21.77	18.01			
Texarkana	85	45	-6	1.36	4.34	4.29	18.49	14.92			
8 Camden	89	45	-4	1.55	7.41	4.71	14.29	18.45			
El Dorado	86	43	-6	0.56	2.74	5.49	17.12	18.87			
Warren	84	44	-6	1.09	5.38	4.67	17.30	20.61			
9 Eudora	89	48	-6	0.58	1.74	5.43	24.23	22.87			
Pine Bluff	89	45	-6	0.96	4.84	4.96	20.16	18.43			
Rohwer	85	47	-6	0.76	9.94	4.78	18.44	19.68			